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HIGHLIGHTS OF RECENT ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

The U.S. entered a recession as the "real" gross national product dropped for the second consecutive quarter, and leading U.S. indicators registered a sharp 2.7 percent September decline, a possible sign of a deepening recession ahead which may continue until early 1982.

In Delaware the unemployment rate dropped in September to a preliminary 6.9 percent, due largely to the recall of auto workers and the return of students to school. The July number of employed, 269,100, was up 2.3 percent for the year, but dropped to 260,800 in September, .5 percent above a year ago. Second quarter personal income rose an annual 14 percent, compared to 12.1 percent for the U.S. And new incorporations remained high, recording increases of 14.4 percent, 20.2 percent and 16.6 percent over 1980.

But other indicators mirrored the worsening U.S. economy. Interest sensitive housing permits were down 29.4 percent, 14.9 percent and 57.2 percent over year ago July, August and September levels, while September U.S. housing starts were at their lowest since 1963. Auto registrations, down 4.8 percent during the quarter, dropped 2.7 percent and 3.1 percent below July and August of last year; and in September, spurred by sales discounts and rebates, rose to their year ago level of 3,255. Durable manufacturing hours and weekly earnings declined 10.1 percent and 10.3 percent, the result of August auto layoffs as well as less overtime at premium pay. Broiler prices were 4.9 percent, 7 percent and 15 percent below a year ago. And the CPI climbed steadily, registering an 11 percent annual increase in September.

On the positive side, three additional financial institutions, Citicorp, Provident National Bank, and Maryland National Bank announced plans to open Delaware subsidiary operations next year. Legislation was enacted to facilitate the sale of Farmers Bank to Girard, thus clearing the way for the State to begin earning market rates of interest on its' more than $150 million in demand deposits. And in Sussex County, a U.S. EDA grant, together with state, county and University of Delaware funds, will initiate the road and utility installation for the multi-year Delaware Marine Research Park project in Lewes.

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CURRENT DELAWARE

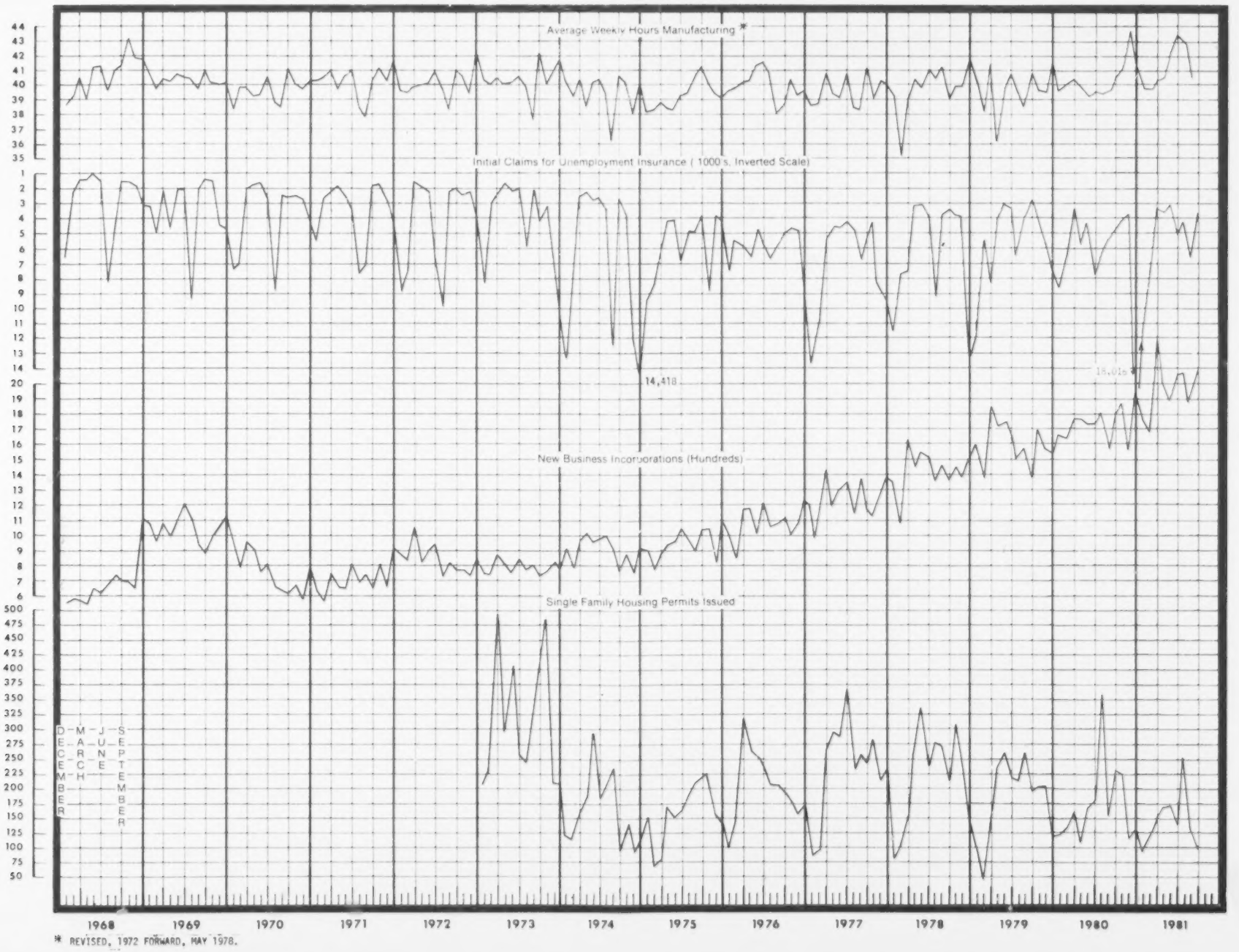
	September	Percent Change From Month Ago	Year Ago
EMPLOYMENT (1,000'S)			
Total Labor Force[1]	280.2p	-3.4	0.4
Persons Involved in Work Stoppages[1]	0.0p	-100.0	-
Unemployed[1] (Unadjusted)	19.4p	-24.8	-1.5
Unemployment Rate[1] (Unadjusted)	6.9p	-	-
Employed[1] (Unadjusted)	260.8p	-1.3	0.5
Agriculture[1]	5.4p	-20.6	0.0
Non-agriculture[1]	255.4p	-0.8	0.5
Help Wanted Advertising (Wilmington)	6,523	-10.2	-19.7
HOURS AND EARNINGS			
Average Weekly Hours			
Manufacturing	39.2p	-3.0	-4.4
Durable Goods	37.5p	-6.7	-9.2
Non-durable Goods	40.4p	-0.5	-0.7
Average Weekly Earnings			
Manufacturing	$328.50p	0.4	6.1
Durable Goods	$348.38p	-5.0	0.4
Non-durable Goods	$313.10p	2.1	12.5
Average Hourly Earnings			
Manufacturing	$8.38p	3.5	11.0
Durable Goods	$9.29p	1.9	10.6
Non-durable Goods	$7.75p	2.6	13.3
TRADE			
New Auto Registrations	3,255	6.9	0.0
Consumer Price Index (Philadelphia) 1967 = 100	274.4	1.4	11.0
Main Telephones In-Service	252,950	0.4	2.2
BUSINESS POPULATION			
New Incorporations	2,090	11.0	16.6
CONSTRUCTION			
Single-family Housing Permits Issued			
Delaware	98	-25.2	-57.2
Kent	10	100.0	-52.4
New Castle	37	-52.6	-75.5
Sussex	51	6.2	-10.5
FHA Insured Mortgage Loans	26	-42.2	-69.8
PRODUCTION			
Electricity (Mil. KWH)	442.8	-5.4	-7.1
FINANCE			
Deposits	$90,980	-3.4	12.9
Loans	$59,386	2.9	2.0
Check Payments (Wilmington SMSA)	(NO LONGER AVAILABLE)		
AGRICULTURE			
Broiler Prices (Cents Per Pound) New York Wholesale Market	45.2	-5.0	-15.0

PPreliminary. [1]By place of residence, 1980 Benchmark.
In August 1979, the Department of Labor began to compute seasonal adjustments to eliminate the effects of weather, vacations, holidays. The labor data above, and in all previous indicators, is unadjusted.

ECONOMIC DATA

August	Percent Change From Month Ago	Percent Change From Year Ago	July	Percent Change From Month Ago	Percent Change From Year Ago	Percent Change From Previous Quarter (Three Months Ago)
290.1	-0.1	1.3	290.5	0.0	0.8	0.3
0.2	0.0	100.0	0.2	-71.4	100.0	-77.8
25.8	20.6	2.8	21.4	0.0	-15.4	8.8
8.9	-	-	7.4	-	-	-
264.2	-1.8	1.1	269.1	0.0	2.3	-0.4
6.8	-4.2	1.5	7.1	18.3	1.4	21.4
257.4	-1.8	1.1	262.0	-0.4	2.3	-0.9
7,262	-3.0	-17.9	7,490	18.4	-9.8	1.0
40.4	-5.6	1.5	42.8	-1.4	8.6	-2.9
40.2	-2.0	-1.2	41.0	-8.3	1.2	-10.1
40.6	-8.1	3.6	44.2	4.2	14.2	3.0
$327.24	-8.9	10.2	$359.09	1.0	20.1	-4.2
$366.62	-4.9	7.5	$385.40	-5.0	10.4	-10.3
$306.53	-9.6	13.7	$339.01	7.2	25.1	3.5
$8.10	-3.5	8.6	$8.39	2.4	10.5	-1.4
$9.12	-3.0	8.8	$9.40	3.5	9.0	-0.3
$7.55	-1.6	9.7	$7.67	2.8	9.6	0.3
3,044	-7.9	-3.1	3,304	3.6	-2.7	-4.8
270.5	1.0	10.0	267.8	0.9	9.7	3.1
252,048	0.1	2.3	251,810	0.2	2.3	0.5
1,883	-8.6	20.2	2,061	0.2	14.4	0.3
131	-48.0	-14.9	252	83.9	-29.4	0.8
5	-64.3	-54.5	14	100.0	-46.2	-19.4
78	-60.2	-11.4	196	130.6	-34.2	15.2
48	14.3	-12.7	42	-6.7	27.3	-17.5
45	21.6	-6.2	37	-36.2	-30.2	-29.4
468.3	-4.0	-3.5	487.7	13.8	8.1	13.1
$94,225	5.9	19.5	$88,954	-1.0	12.8	2.7
$57,721	-0.2	1.8	$57,845	3.1	3.9	3.9
(NO LONGER AVAILABLE)					(NO LONGER AVAILABLE)	
47.6	-2.9	-7.0	49.0	0.0	-4.9	0.4

LEADING INDICATORS



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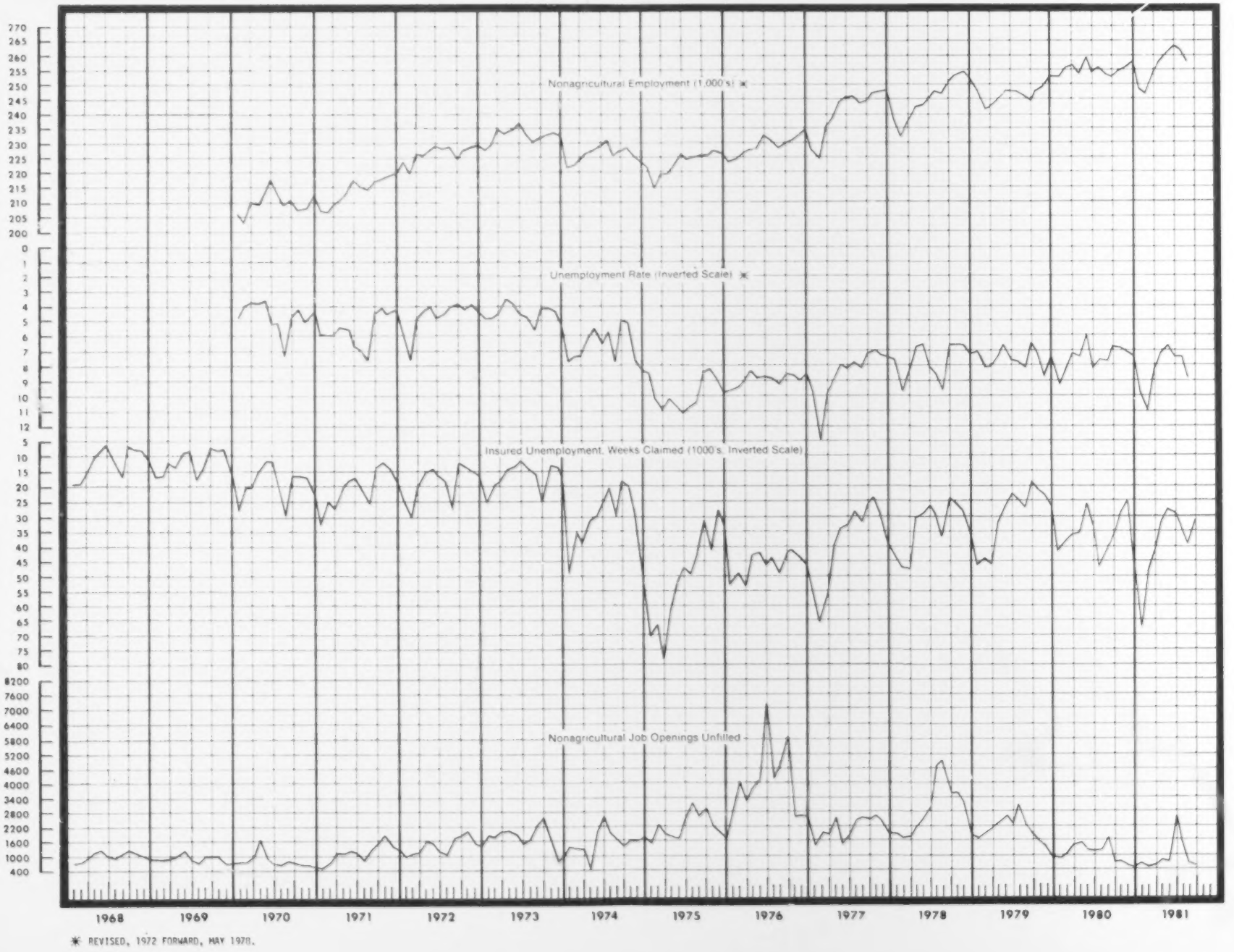

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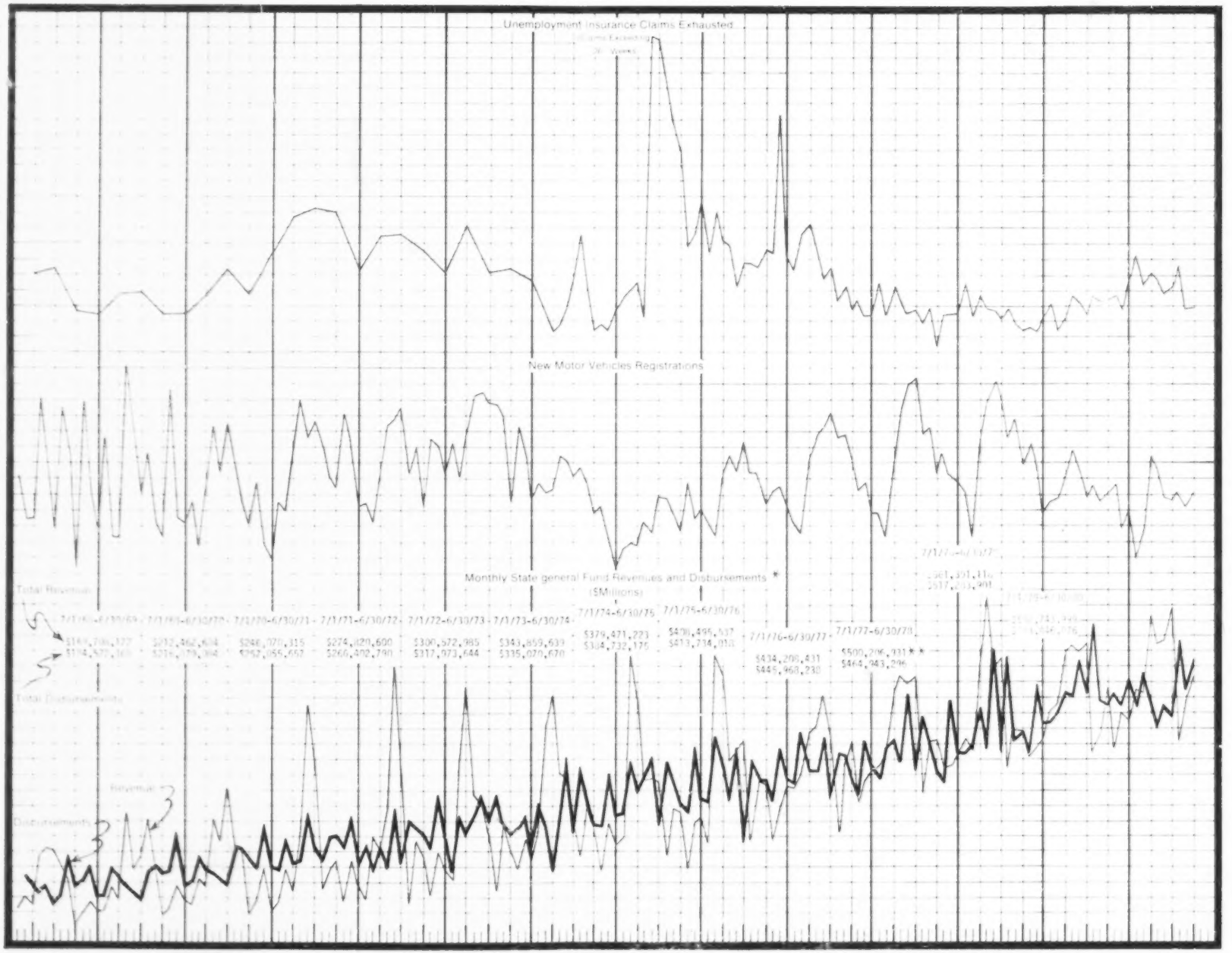

* Effective July 1, 1975, revenue and disbursements are now reported net of revenue refunds by the withholding of income tax. In order to maintain consistency with earlier fiscal data, this chart continues to show gross revenues and gross disbursements.

* * Includes $89,400,000 for the discharge of short-term debt.

SOURCES OF ECONOMIC INDICATORS

U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis	State Total Personal Income Quarterly
U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Federal Housing Administration	FHA Insured Mortgage Loans
U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics	Consumer Price Index, Philadelphia Region
Federal Reserve Bank (Philadelphia)	Bank Deposits, Loans
U. S. Department of Agriculture, Maryland-Delaware Crop Reporting Service	Broiler Prices
Delaware Department of Finance	State Revenues and Expenditures
Delaware Department of Labor	Total Labor Force Persons Involved in Work Stoppages Unemployment Unfilled Job Openings Initial Claims for Unemployment Insurance Hours and Earnings Exhausted Benefit Claims
Delaware Department of State, Corporations	New Incorporations
Delaware Department of Public Safety	New Automobile Registrations
Delaware Department of Community Affairs and Economic Development, Division of Housing	Single-Family Housing Permits
Delmarva Power and Light, Incorporated	Electricity Production
Diamond State Telephone Company	Telephones In-Service
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DELAWARE DATA CENTER

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DELAWARE DATA CENTER HAS A NEW LEAD AGENCY

Beginning November 1, 1981, the Data Center lead agency will be the new Delaware Development Office, created by a merger of the State Economic Development Division and portions of the Office of Management, Budget and Planning. All of the existing functions of the Delaware Data Center, as well as the full Population and Economic Analysis Section of OMBP, have been transferred to the new Development Office. We are confident the services rendered by the Delaware Data Center will be maintained and will benefit from the heightened attention and importance being given to the economic development efforts of the State.

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1980 CENSUS DESIGNATED PLACES IN DELAWARE

The concept of a census designated place (CDP) was established by the Census Bureau to identify a densely settled population center which does not have legally defined corporate limits or corporate powers or functions. A CDP has a definite residential nucleus with dense, city-type street patterns, and ideally should have an overall population density of at least 1,000 inhabitants per square mile. In addition, it is a community which is identifiable locally, by place name.

Boundaries of CDPs are drawn by the Census Bureau, in cooperation with State and local agencies to include as much as possible of all the closely settled areas. These CDP boundaries are shown on all detailed census maps. Metropolitan Map Series/Vicinity Map Series maps show the boundaries of CDPs located in or near urbanized areas and place maps are available for those CDPs outside of the urbanized area. Census tract outline maps and county subdivision maps also show boundaries for places (both incorporated and census designated).

For the 1980 Census, statistics are tabulated for each CDP with 5,000 persons or more if in an urbanized area with a central city of 50,000 or more, and for each CDP of 1,000 or more inhabitants if in an urbanized area with no central city of 50,000 or more. Outside the urbanized areas statistics are tabulated for CDPs of 1,000 inhabitants or more (except in Hawaii and Alaska).

1980 CDPs which have qualified in Delaware are listed along with their population in Table 1. Four areas which were considered for CDPs in the 1980 Census, but failed to meet the qualifying criterion, are: Capitol Park, Kent County; Fairfax and Richardson Park, New Castle County and Dewey Beach, Sussex County.

It is to be noted that Dewey Beach was incorporated after April 1, 1980. Thus, data are not tabulated for it either as an incorporated place or a CDP in the 1980 Census.

TABLE 1

1980 Census Designated Places for Delaware

DELAWARE	Total Population
Kent County	
Dover Base Housing	4,391
DuPont Manor	1,059
Highland Acres	2,994
Kent Acres	1,590
Rising Sun-Lebanon	2,176
Rodney Village	1,753
Star Hill-Briar Park	1,114
Woodside East	1,490
New Castle County	
Brookside	15,255
Claymont	10,022
Edgemoor	7,397
Stanton	5,495
Talleyville	6,880
Wilmington Manor	9,233

1980 PROVISIONAL POPULATIONS OF URBANIZED AREAS ARE RELEASED

An urbanized area is defined by the Census Bureau as a population concentration of at least 50,000 inhabitants, generally consisting of a central city and the surrounding, closely settled, contiguous territory (suburbs). Primarily the urbanized area has a population density of 1,000 inhabitants per square mile, but it may include less densely settled areas within corporate limits or areas such as industrial parks and railroad yards, if they are located within the dense urban development. The term "urban fringe" is used to define the part of the urbanized area outside of a central city. Urbanized areas can be used to compare the amount of urban growth which has occurred between censuses because they are defined on the basis of population distribution at the time of a decennial census and their boundaries tend to change following each census to include additional urban development. Boundaries of urbanized areas will be shown on the final Metropolitan Map Series and Vicinity Map Series maps.

TABLE 2

Provisional Population of Urbanized Areas: 1980

Urbanized Area	1980 Population
Wilmington, Delaware-New Jersey-Maryland	406,999
Delaware Portion	368,449

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1980 INCORPORATED PLACES; POPULATION IN HOUSEHOLDS AND GROUP QUARTERS

The Census Bureau has recently made available to the Delaware Data Center a special tabulation from the 1980 Census, of incorporated places by number of persons in households and group quarters, as well as the total number of households and the average number of persons per household. The data from this tabulation is provided in Table 3. Additional 100-percent data from the 1980 Census will be available by place on the soon to be released Summary Tape File (STF) 1A.

TABLE 3

Households and Group Quarters by Incorporated Place

Incorporated Places	Persons In Households	Persons In Group Quarters	Total Households	Persons Per Household	Incorporated Places	Persons In Households	Persons In Group Quarters	Total Households	Persons Per Household
DELAWARE	579,056	16,169	207,429	2.79	Henlopen Acres	176	-	79	2.23
					Houston	357	-	130	2.75
Arden	516	-	241	2.14	Kenton	243	-	90	2.70
Ardencroft	267	-	98	2.72	Laurel	3,052	-	1,092	2.79
Ardentown[1]	1,124	70	479	2.35	Leipsic	228	-	84	2.71
Bellefonte	1,279	-	510	2.51	Lewes	2,062	135	906	2.28
Bethany Beach	330	-	168	1.96	Little Creek	230	-	88	2.61
Bethel	197	-	78	2.53	Magnolia	197	-	78	2.53
Blades	664	-	241	2.76	Middletown	2,945	1	995	2.96
Bowers	198	-	77	2.57	Milford	5,223	133	2,080	2.51
Bridgeville	1,238	-	478	2.59	Millsboro	1,195	38	507	2.36
Camden	1,757	-	665	2.64	Millville	178	-	73	2.44
Cheswold	269	-	97	2.77	Milton	1,348	11	483	2.79
Clayton	1,216	-	461	2.64	Newark	19,356	5,891	7,284	2.66
Dagsboro	344	-	139	2.47	New Castle	4,897	10	1,722	2.84
Delaware City	1,858	-	624	2.98	Newport	1,167	-	498	2.34
Delmar	892	56	338	2.64	Ocean View	495	-	214	2.31
Dover	20,519	2,993	7,684	2.67	Odessa	384	-	153	2.51
Ellendale	361	-	123	2.93	Rehoboth Beach	1,730	-	900	1.92
Elsmere	6,493	-	2,410	2.69	Seaford	4,884	372	1,928	2.53
Farmington	141	-	51	2.76	Selbyville	1,251	-	463	2.70
Felton	521	26	189	2.76	Slaughter Beach	121	-	53	2.28
Fenwick Island	114	-	54	2.11	Smyrna	4,032	718	1,408	2.86
Frankford	686	-	230	2.98	South Bethany	115	-	56	2.05
Frederica	864	-	327	2.64	Townsend	386	-	144	2.68
Georgetown	1,710	-	667	2.56	Viola	167	-	53	3.15
Greenwood	578	-	233	2.48	Wilmington	69,324	871	26,901	2.58
Harrington	2,405	-	894	2.69	Woodside	248	-	92	2.70
Hartly	106	-	45	2.36	Wyoming	960	-	360	2.67

[1] The Census Bureau's revision of its Advance Count for Ardentown Village's total population is not reflected in this data table. Please note attachment to Issue 10.

SEARCH SERVICE FROM CENSUS RECORDS

On occasion, the State Data Center has received inquiries from Delawareans concerning a citizen's need to verify specific information about himself. In answer to these inquiries, it is explained that the Census Bureau provides a service which searches individual census records of previous decennial censuses. Information validated by this record search can be used for proof of age when an individual does not have a birth certificate, and it can thus establish age eligibility for social security or other benefits. Additional information needs which can be searched include evidence of citizenship and relationship to another person which can be used for naturalization papers or passports, to establish a claim for an inheritance, or to trace ancestry.

To comply with the strict standards of confidentiality established in the U.S. Code, the Census Bureau can release information only to the named person, his heir (on proof of death of the person), or to an authorized representative. The request for a search must be filled out on an application which is then sent to the Bureau's Personal Census Service Branch in Kansas. Applications for the search can be obtained by contacting Donna Murray, Office of Management, Budget and Planning, Phone: (302) 736-4271. The Census Bureau charges $12.00 for this search service.

VETERAN POPULATION FOR STATE AND COUNTY

The State Data Center library recently received a copy of a report published by the Veterans Administration entitled State and County Veterans Population - September 1979, Research Monograph 13, issued December 1980. This report, the eleventh in a series, presents estimates of the number of veterans of military service in the armed forces of the United States who were in civil life as of September 30, 1979, for each state and county. Copies of this report are available without charge from the Research Division (042A1), Reports and Statistics Service, Veterans Administration, 810 Vermont Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20420.

Estimates of the veteran population in Delaware and its three counties that served in active duty during any period from World War I to the Vietnam era are listed in Table 4 below.

TABLE 4

Veteran Population of Delaware - September 30, 1979

		War Veterans								
			Vietnam Era		Korean Conflict					Service Between Korean Conflict and Vietnam Era Only
	Total Veterans*	Total*	Total	No Service In Korean Conflict	Total	No Service In World War II	World War II	World War I	Post Vietnam Era	
State Total	79,000	66,000	25,000	23,000	12,000	9,000	33,000	1,000	2,000	11,000
Kent	10,570	8,590	4,060	3,870	1,430	1,130	3,490	110	370	1,600
New Castle	57,790	48,340	17,300	16,080	8,950	6,530	24,050	790	1,580	7,860
Sussex	10,440	8,740	3,380	3,210	1,300	1,040	4,270	220	310	1,390

*Excludes Spanish American War Veterans.
Details may not add to total due to rounding.

ANNUAL BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE URBAN FAMILY AND RETIRED COUPLE, BY THE BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

Each year the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) updates its hypothetical budgets for the urban family and retired couple to reflect changes in prices which have occurred in the previous year. Updates are also included for personal taxes in the four-person family budget. These budgets do not represent actual budget expenditures nor are they intended to represent a minimum level of adequate income, but rather reflect assumptions made about a relative standard of living at each of the three hypothetical levels.

The hypothetical family of four consists of a 38-year old husband employed full-time, a non-working wife, a boy of 13, and a girl of 8. The retired couple includes a husband, age 65 or over, and a wife. Both groups are identified as urban and there are no budgets available for such rural families.

For the four-person family, "from autumn 1979 to autumn 1980, the total cost of the lower budget rose 11.6 percent, and the intermediate and higher budgets rose 12.8 and 13.5 percent, respectively...the largest increases since 1974", in large part due to increases in taxes and homeowner costs. Federal, state and local personal income tax payments increased 30 percent at the lower level and 25 percent at the intermediate and higher level, largely due to bracket creep.

The budgets for the retired couple do not include taxes. Nevertheless, the annual increase in the budget from 1979-1980 rose 10.3 percent in the lower, 10.2 percent in the intermediate and 9.9 percent in the higher budget, again the largest increases since 1974. Transportation represented the highest increase, approximately 16 percent for lower and intermediate levels and 14 percent for the higher budget. Medical care costs were also up sharply, approximately 13 percent at all three levels.

The most recent budget updates from BLS, for autumn 1980, are for the U.S. as a whole, as well as for regions and selected SMSAs. Area indexes reflect not only different price levels, but also variations in consumption patterns and differences in climate, types of transportation facilities and taxes. Tables 5 and 6 below illustrate budgets for a family of four and a retired couple for both the U.S. and the Philadelphia SMSA, which is closest to conditions in urban Delaware.

TABLE 5

Annual Budgets for a Four-Person Urban Family,
Autumn 1980, U.S. and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania-New Jersey SMSA

	United States			Philadelphia, Pennsylvania-New Jersey SMSA					
							Index of Comparative Cost[1]		
	Low Budget	Intermediate Budget	High Budget	Low Budget	Intermediate Budget	High Budget	Low Budget	Intermediate Budget	High Budget
Total Budget	$14,044	$23,134	$34,409	$14,366	$24,364	$35,895	102	105	104
Total Family Consumption	11,243	16,969	23,266	11,113	17,417	24,020	99	103	103
Total Food	4,321	5,571	7,024	4,736	6,227	7,802	110	112	111
Food at Home	3,717	4,664	5,558	3,939	5,013	5,855	106	107	105
Food Away From Home	605	907	1,466	797	1,214	1,947	-	-	-
Total Housing	2,608	5,106	7,747	2,338	5,276	7,987	90	103	103
Shelter Total	1,959[2]	3,998	5,382	1,732[2]	4,215	5,600	-	-	-
Renter Costs	-[2]	2,533	3,988	-[2]	2,191	4,838	88	86	121
Homeowner Costs	-	4,486	5,628	-	4,889	5,734	-	109	102
Home Furnishings and Operations	650	1,108	2,096	606	1,061	2,082	-	-	-
Transportation[3]	1,160	2,116	2,751	1,082	2,058	2,948	93	97	107
Clothing	907	1,292	1,888	652	928	1,372	72	72	73
Personal Care	352	471	668	327	429	596	93	91	89
Medical Care	1,298	1,303	1,359	1,382	1,386	1,449	106	106	107
Other Family Consumption	597	1,109	1,829	596	1,114	1,866	100	100	102
Other Items	583	957	1,610	579	973	1,648	-	-	-
Social Security and Disability Payments	881	1,427	1,608	892	1,506	1,599	-	-	-
Personal Income Taxes	1,337	3,781	7,924	1,782	4,468	8,628	133	118	109

[1]U.S. Urban Average Cost = 100.
[2]Average costs of shelter for 100 percent of families living in rental units.
[3]Total transportation costs weight prices for auto owners and non-owners. Auto owner costs are larger in all cases than those which appear in the budget.

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, News Release, "Autumn 1980 Urban Family Budgets and Comparative Indexes for Selected Urban Areas", April 22, 1981.

TABLE 6

Annual Budgets for a Retired Urban Couple,
Autumn 1980, U.S. and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania-New Jersey SMSA

	United States			Philadelphia, Pennsylvania-New Jersey SMSA					
							Index of Comparative Cost[1]		
	Low Budget	Intermediate Budget	High Budget	Low Budget	Intermediate Budget	High Budget	Low Budget	Intermediate Budget	High Budget
Total Budget	$6,644	$9,434	$13,923	$6,493	$9,835	$14,546	98	104	104
Total Family Consumption	6,358	8,866	12,885	6,213	9,243	13,465	98	104	105
Total Food	2,082	2,772	3,482	2,263	3,093	3,878	109	112	111
Food At Home	1,920	2,467	2,941	2,052	2,649	3,112	107	107	106
Food Away From Home	162	305	541	211	444	766	-	-	-
Total Housing	2,169	3,106	4,860	2,296	3,395	5,347	106	109	110
Total Shelter	1,635	2,004	2,837	1,775	2,239	3,192	-	-	-
Renter Costs	1,502	1,975	2,990	1,411	2,027	3,533	94	103	118
Homeowner Costs	1,723	2,015	2,771	2,017	2,353	3,046	117	117	110
House Furnishings and Operations	535	1,104	1,877	521	1,156	2,009	-	-	-
Transportation[2]	487	950	1,748	114	847	1,635	23	89	94
Clothing	236	396	609	173	286	420	73	72	69
Personal Care	184	269	394	169	227	334	86	84	85
Medical Care	944	950	956	941	951	959	100	100	100
Other Family Consumption	255	424	837	267	444	892	105	105	107
Other Items	286	568	1,037	280	592	1,081	-	-	-

[1]U.S. urban average cost = 100.
[2]Total transportation costs weight prices for auto owners and non-owners. Auto owner costs are larger in all cases than those which appear in the budget.

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, News Release, "Three Budgets for a Retired Couple, Autumn 1980", August 10, 1981.

For more detailed discussion of the substance and methods for deriving these budgets, readers are referred to the source documents from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, available at the Data Center Library or at local depository libraries.

EXPECTED RELEASE AND DISTRIBUTION OF 1980 CENSUS MACHINE READABLE PRODUCTS FOR DELAWARE

As of October 15, 1981, the Census Bureau estimated that Summary Tape File 1 for Delaware would be delivered within the month. Summary Tape File (STF) 1 is the first Census Bureau product to present tabulations of 100 percent data collected by the Census, including population data for age, sex, race, household type and relationships, and housing data for tenure, vacancy status, number of rooms, plumbing facilities, value and contract rent. Long awaited 1980 Census sample data such as income, occupation, and education will not be available until STF 3 is released between January 1982 and July 1982, with the earlier release of a special tabulation of state level sample data in January 1982.

STF 1 has been designed as three separate files, A, B and C. Although the subject matter of the tabulations is the same in all three STF 1 files, the geographic coverage differs as follows:

Release Date

7/81 - 12/81	STF 1A - State, County, County Census Division, Place, Census Tract and Enumeration District or Block Group.
11/81 - 3/82	STF 1B - State, SMSA, County within SMSA, Census Tract, and Enumeration District or Block.
Spring 1982	STF 1C - U.S., Region, Division, State, SMSA, Urbanized Area, County, Census County Division and Place.

It should be noted that STF 1B is the only STF from which block level data can be obtained. The Block Statistics report (only available on microfiche) will be produced from STF 1 and released approximately the same time as the file.

In anticipation of the release of the 1980 Census products as scheduled, the Delaware State Data Center has made the following plans for the distribution of Census data to users throughout the State:

- Microfiche copies of STF 1A will be sent to all Data Center Affiliates having microfiche readers. Paper copies of the STF 1A microfiche will be made available to those affiliates and to data users who do not have microfiche capacity. In addition, the STF 1A computer tape will be added to the Data Center Tape library at the University of Delaware Computer Center where it may be accessed from the Delaware Development Office, as well as from other data user terminals throughout the State.

- Although STF 1B will not be available on microfiche, the Block Statistics report will be on microfiche and will include block data from STF 1B. Again, the Data Center plans to send microfiche copies of the report to affiliates with microfiche capacity and will make paper copies from the microfiche available to other affiliates and data users. Also, the computer tape for this file will be added to the Census tape library.

- As Census tapes are released, they will be added to the Data Center Census tape library at the University of Delaware Computer Center. In the next few months, the Data Center plans to conduct workshops on accessing Census tape files for interested affiliates and data users with terminals. Announcements of the workshops will be made in forthcoming issues of this Newsletter.

- Finally, the Data Center plans to continue to provide tabulations of significant Census statistics for major geographic areas of the State in issues of this Newsletter, in future editions of Dimensions on Delaware and other reports which may be produced by the Office. Inquiries regarding specific census tabulations and/or geographic coverage should be directed to Delaware Development Office as the lead Data Center Agency or to the appropriate affiliate agency.

NEW PUBLICATIONS OF INTEREST TO DATA USERS

County Business Patterns 1979: United States, U.S. Bureau of the Census, issued August 1981; a summation for the U.S. of business statistics for all counties in the U.S., showing U.S. tabulations for employment and payrolls, number and employment size of establishments by detailed industry. Also includes state level payroll, establishments and employment data, as well as ranking of counties having the highest employment in 1979.

Annual Housing Survey 1979, General Housing Characteristics: United States and Regions, U.S. Bureau of the Census and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, issued August 1981; data on the size and composition of the housing inventory, the characteristics of its occupants, the indicators of housing and neighborhood quality, the characteristics of recent movers, and the characteristics of urban and rural units are summarized for the U.S. in this report by inside and outside SMSAs and by each of the four geographic regions.

Subject Index to Current Population Reports: December 1980, Series P-23, No. 109, U.S. Bureau of the Census, issued September 1981; this index is the first bibliographic inventory of all Current Population Reports. Individual publications are listed sequentially by subject, series number, year covered, area or level of coverage and title.

Using Home Mortgage Disclosure Data for Community Development and Maintenance: A Guidebook, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, issued September 1980; techniques and methods for analyzing and presenting data on the number, location and size of loans for the purchase and improvement of residential properties, which is obtained from information provided in compliance with the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act of 1975.

1981 U.S. Industrial Outlook for 200 Industries With Projections For 1985, U.S. Bureau of Industrial Economics, issued January 1981; industries are presented in this report by 47 major classifications with an outlook for the future of the industry as evaluated during the third quarter of 1980, based on the outlook for the economy.

The above publications can be reviewed at the Delaware Data Center Office as well as major government document depository libraries in Delaware. Also, basic Census Bureau publications can be reviewed at a local Affiliate Data Center Library. Publications may be purchased from: Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. Telephone: (202) 783-3238.

Area Wage Survey, Wilmington, Delaware-New Jersey-Maryland: April 1981, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, issued June 1981; a publication of summary results of an April 1981 survey of occupational wages and supplementary benefits in the Wilmington SMSA for office and plant workers in selected occupations. This report can be obtained free of charge from: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Region III, 3535 Market Street, P. O. Box 13309, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19101. Telephone: (215) 596-1154.

Geographic Distribution of Federal Funds in Delaware: Fiscal Year 1980, compiled for the Executive Office of the President by the Community Services Administration, reports the distribution of Federal funds of the Executive Branch of the Federal Government, by agency, program, and indirect Federal support for every county of the U.S. and every city with a population over 25,000. This report for Delaware can be purchased for $6.50 per copy from the National Technical Information Service, Springfield, Virginia 22161. Telephone: (703) 557-4650.